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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

LORI J. KLEMP, R.N.

ORDER SUSPENDING THE LICENSE

Respondent

On March 5, 1999, the Board of Nursing issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter, by which Ms. Klemp's license to practice professional nursing in Wisconsin was indefinitely suspended. By the terms of the Order, Ms. Klemp is permitted to apply to the board for successive three month stays of the suspension upon submission of to the board of an evaluation by a physician indicating that in the physician's opinion, Ms. Klemp may safely and reliably practice as a nurse. Ms. Klemp must further demonstrate that she has maintained sobriety for at least three months and that she is successfully participating in a treatment program acceptable to the board. Also at its meeting of March 5, 1999, the board considered Ms. Klemp's request for a stay of the suspension of her license, and denied the request by its Order dated March 8, 1999.

By letter dated April 13, 1999, Ms. Klemp again petitioned for a stay of the suspension of her license. The board considered the request on May 14, 1999, and granted the request by its Order dated May 26, 1999.

On November 5, 1999, the board considered Ms. Klemp's request for an additional three month stay of the suspension of her license. Ms. Klemp disclosed that she is not currently employed as a nurse, and has suspended drug screens pending her employment as a nurse. The board granted the stay, requiring that she begin full participation in the terms and conditions on the license at such time that she becomes employed as a nurse.

On May 19, 2000, the board considered information concerning Ms. Klemp's violation of the terms and conditions of her license, including relapsing to the use of alcohol. The board denied the stay and suspended the license.

Ms. Klemp appeared before the board on July 7, 2000, in support of her petition for renewal of the stay. The board reinstated the stay of suspension by its Order dated July 19, 2000.

By letter dated October 28, 2001, Ms. Klemp requested a further stay of the suspension of her license. The board considered the request on February 2, 2001, and was provided information that Ms. Klemp had failed to provide evidence of having complied with the requirement for urine screens. Additionally, her work report reflects that she has had access to controlled substances at her place of employment, in violation of the board's Order. Based on that information, the board denied the stay.

On February 15, 2001, it came to the attention of the board by its Chair, Ann Brewer, that the information provided to the board regarding Ms. Klemp's urine screens was in error, and that the screening reports had in fact been received in the department of February 1, 2001. Accordingly, it was ordered that the license be reinstated until the next meeting of the board.

On March 1, 2001, the board considered Ms. Klemp's petition for reinstatement of the stay. The board granted the stay by its Order dated March 8, 2001.

On April 6, 2001, the board considered evidence that on March 6, 2001, Ms. Klemp had relapsed by diverting controlled substances at her place of employment. Based upon probable cause to believe that Ms. Klemp is in violation of her Order, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the stay of the suspension of the license of Lori J. Klemp is hereby terminated, and Ms. Klemp's license is hereby suspended.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2001.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

Ann Brewer, R.N.

Chair